# **Marion County Election Board Meeting Minutes**

Monday, October 18, 2010 – 9 a.m. Election Services Center – 68 N. Gale St.

Board Members Present: Chairman Mark Sullivan; Vice Chairman Patrick Dietrick; Secretary Elizabeth "Beth" White; Laurel S. Judkins, Director of Elections

Others Present: Scott Chinn, Angie Nussmeyer, Will French, Michael Weiseman, Jenny Troutman, Janet Buchanan.

**I. Call to Order:** Chairman Sullivan called the meeting to order.

## II. Commencement of Public Test of Voting Equipment

Ms. Judkins stated that Indiana state law requires a public test of the voting equipment to be used on Election Day. While the law requires that the MCEB test a minimum of (3) precincts, the MCEB tests (9) precincts – one from each township in Marion County. Ms. Judkins stated that the public test would take approximately one hour to complete.

III. Ratification of Minutes - September 13, 2010 & September 21, 2010 Madame Clerk motioned to approve the minutes. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

## IV. Legal Notice of General Election (CAN-39)

Ms. Judkins stated that Indiana state law requires that the legal notice of election be approved and filed by the MCEB. The CAN-39 was signed by Madame Clerk and filed with the Indiana Election Division on October 15, 2010.

# V. Instructions on Challenges to Absentee Ballots

Ms. Judkins stated that pursuant to the Consent Decree in the absentee ballot lawsuit, instructions on the proper procedure for challenging absentee ballots on Election Day must be provided to the political parties and, from there, to all individuals to whom they issue the challenge credentials. The Consent Decree also required that these instructions be publically discussed at an MCEB meeting.

Ms. Judkins stated that the instructions are identical to those approved previously by the MCEB for use during the 2010 Primary Election.

#### VI. General Election Update

Ms. Judkins stated that the MCEB may need to have one additional pre-election meeting to discuss the signature genuineness of absentee by mail ballots. The signature comparison is required by the Consent Decree in the absentee ballot lawsuit. In the event signature comparison by the MCEB is not required, the meeting will be cancelled.

Ms. Judkins reminded the MCEB and public that the Board will meet on Friday, November 12, 2010 to review any provisional ballots cast on Election Day and

again on Monday, November 15, 2010 to certify the results of the 2010 General Election.

Ms. Judkins also noted that with respect to pre-election campaign finance reports, the MCEB achieved 93% compliance for on-time filings.

# VII. Conclusion of Public Test of Voting Equipment

After successful completion of the public test of voting equipment, the members of the MCEB signed the following forms required to be filed with the Indiana Election Division:

- Certification of Test of Electronic Voting Systems (IEC-9)
- Certification of Test of Optical Scan Ballot Card Automatic Tabulating Machines (IEC-10)
- **VIII.** Adjournment: Chairman Sullivan motioned for the meeting to adjourn.

Signed: 12/01/2010
Chairman, Mark K. Sullivan
Vice Chairman, Patrick Dietrick
Secretary, Elizabeth L. White